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SUBJ: NEW DRIVE TO REGISTER VOTERS

1. ON JUNE 15 ACTING ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER A.M. QUAYE LAUNCHED AN EIGHT-WEEK COUNTRY-WIDE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO UPDATE VOTING LISTS AND TO ATTRACT MORE VOTERS. EXERCISE WILL RUN FROM JULY 3 - AUGUST 30 AND, ACCORDING TO QUAYE, WILL INVOLVE SOME 10,000 REGISTRATION ASSISTANTS AND 100 SOUND TRUCKS. QUAYE APPEALED TO NATIONAL HOUSE OF CHIEFS, VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS AND PRESS TO EDUCATE PUBLIC ON IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING TO VOTE IN GENERAL ELECTIONS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 15, 1979.

2. COMMENT: THIS VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE REFLECTS GOG CONCERN THAT TURNOUT AT GENERAL ELECTIONS MAY BE LOW, AS WAS THE CASE IN DISPUTED MARCH 30 REFERENDUM, WHERE ONLY HALF OF GHANA'S 4.5 REGISTERED VOTERS WENT TO THE POLLS. IT MAY ALSO BE OPENING GUN OF A CAMPAIGN BY GOG TO MAKE SURE GENERAL ELECTIONS ARE NOT MARRED BY THE KIND OF CONFUSION AND IRREGULARITIES WHICH DISCREDITED THE REFERENDUM, HEAD OF STATE ACHEAMPONG AND QUAYE HIMSELF. HOLMES

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